

REMARKS

Originally filed claims 1-58 have been cancelled and new claims 59-87 substituted therefor.

It is believed that the entire application is in form for allowance and such action is requested at the earliest possible time.

If there are any questions concerning the present amendment it is requested that the undersigned be contacted to discuss same at the number below.

Respectfully submitted,

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ATTACHMENT FOR SPECIFICATION AMENDMENTS

The following is a marked up version of each replacement paragraph and/or section of the specification in which underlines indicate insertions and brackets indicate deletions.

ABSTRACT

[The invention relates to a] A Vacuum Cleaner (1) having a removable dust collection bowl (5) through which the air flow passes so as to deposit dirt carried on the air flow. The dust bowl (5) contains a closure member (7) which is slidably displaceable relative the dust bowl (5) so as to simultaneously close a first air inlet (33) into the dust bowl (5) [whilst] while opening a second air flow path (61) to the dust bowl (5) that is remote from the first air flow path (33)[,]. The second air flow path allows an external [preferably to allow a] hose connector to be coupled in air flow communication with [inserted directly into] the dust bowl. The closure member (7) comprises a slidable shuttle cassette.